

*Apud Halyrudhouse vicesimo quarto diemensis Martij, Anno Domini.
Millesimo sexcentesimo vicesimo nono.*



ORSOME ECKLE as by expresse warrand and direction from the Kings Majestie, Sub-commissions hath beene granted to some certaine persons within each Presbytrie of this Kingdome for trying of the just and true avails and worth of the whole Lands Stocke and Teind within the saids Presbyteries. And it being expected that the persons who were entrusted with this employment, should have attended the execution thereof, and kepted the precise termes and dyets of meeting appointed for that effect: Neuerthelesse the Lordes of Secrete Counsell are informed that many of the said Sub-commissioners throughout the severall Presbyteries of this Kingdome, neglecteth their ordinarie Teames and dyets of meeting. So that when matters occurres to be handled in these meetings, it falls oft tymes out that through laike of a number of the Sub-commissioners the dyets are disapoynted and his Majesties service which is truely intended for the ease of his Subiectes in relieving them of the vnecessary trouble and charges they would have beene driven vnto if they had beene constrained to attend the generall Commission for tryall of their saids Valuations is frustrat highlie to his Majesties Offence & lingering and delaying of his Majesties service. Therefore the Lordes of Secrete counsell hath giuen and granted bee the tennour heirof giues and grants full power warrand and Commission and with that commandes and ordaines the conueners of the Sub-commissioners within each Presbytrie of this Kingdome. That they with all conuenient diligence conueene the Subcommissioners in the Ordinarie place of their meetings and at their meetings, That they or so many of them as shall happen to be present for the tyme being alwayes a full number make and set down acts for keeping of Ordour among them and imposing of penalties vpon the absents who keeps not their ordinarie meetings. Prouyding that the greatest penaltie exceed not four poundes, which penaltie shall be vplifted of euery person that shall be absente vpon the ordinarie dayes of meeting without a lawfull cause to be approuin and allowed bee the bench for euery dayes absence, and shall be applyed. The one halfe thereof to the vse of the poore within the presbytrie, And the other halfe thereof to the procuratour fiscall Clerk and remnant memberes of the Court.

Apud Halyrudhouse quinto die mensis Junii Anno Domini Millesimo sexcentesimo vicesimo nono.



NENT the proposition made to the Commissioners nominate by the Kings Majestie, for the treatie anent the erections, surrenders and Teinds, if Land sette *cum decimis inclusis* before the 1587. yeare of God, shall be subject to this Valuation, and if lacke Patronages, shall be subject to the same: The Commissioners by their Interloquitour findeth that Lands fewed, confirmed and set *cum decimis inclusis*, before the said 1587. yeare of God, are not subject to the saids Valuations. And they finde that the Teinds of laicke Patronages ought to be valued conforme to the rest of the Lands & Teinds within the Kingdome.



NENT the question and doubt proponed to the Commissioners, if the Sub-commissioners in the severall Presbyteries shall haue respect in their Valuations to the charges and expences bestowed vpon the goodding of the Land by Lyme, fuillye, or otherwise. The Commissioners ordaines the Sub-commissioners to proceede to their Valuations according to the precise rule of their Commissions, and conforme to the tennour thereof in all points.



NENT the proposition made to the Commissioners, if any Titular or Heritour may produce ten witnesses vpon euery Rounge they haue within a Parish. Or if they shall be restricted onelie to ten witnesses for all their Rounes within the Parish. The Commissioners findeth that no more witnesses should be admitted to an partie against another, for all his Rounes within an Parish but ten onelie as the Sub-commission beares. Which ten the producers may diuide in their examination for euery one of their Rounes according to their pleasure.



NENT the proposition made to the Commissioners by some of their number, if parties who are content to discusse their Valuations by-oath of partie before the generall Commission, shall be subject to this Valuation. The Commissioners findeth that such as hath vndertane to discusse and cleare their Valuations before the generall Commission, shall not be subject to this Valuation. Prouyding that they doe their diligence in discussing and claring of the saids Valuations within the tyme allowed to the saids Sub-commissioners.

Apud Halyrudhouse primo die mensis Iulii. 1629.



OR fameckle, as one of the causes which hath procured the slow progresse in the prosecution of the Valuations throughout the severall Presbyteries of this Kingdome hath proceeded from the refusall of some of the Sub-commissioners to accept the charge & vpon the neglect of others who hath accepted to attend the ordinarie meetings. And vpon the refusall of the procuratours fiscals Clerkes & Officers employed in that service to serue therein. Therefore the Lordes and others of the great Commission, Ordaines the letters of Horning and other acts directed and made by the Lordes of the Majesties priuie Counsell against the Sub-commissioners procuratours fiscals Clerks and Officers for attending of this charge and service to be put to due execution in all poynts against them conforme to the tennour thereof. Because it is formerlie prouyded by the generall Commission that procuratours fiscall vpon due consideration of there paines shall be payed by his Majesties Thesaurer. And the Sub-commissioners hauing taken notice of the paines and trauels of the Officers they find that in reason and justice they aucht to be payed. And that the partie producers of witnesses and leader of the probation if any be should pay them, And where there is not ane partie nor comperance and if the probation be led by the procuratour fiscall, In that cause the Commissioners finds that the Officers wages should be payed by his Majestie and his Officers of receipt. Which payment the Commissioners Ordaines to be made out of the first and readiest of his Majesties anunitie appoynted to haue begining in Anno 1628. And the saids Commissioners hath modified the saids Officers wages to thritteine shillings foure pennies in the day. Remitting awayes to the Sub-commissioners of each Presbytrie there discretion the modification and mitigation of this allowance vpon consideration to be had by them of the Officers service and trauels. With this prouision that the said payment exceede not thritteine shillings foure pennies in the day.

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